

**BOARD OF ISLAND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES OF MEETING
SEPTEMBER 13 AND 15, 2016 – REGULAR SESSION**

The Board of Island County Commissioners (including Diking Improvement District #4) met in Regular Session on September 13, 2016 beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of County Commissioners Hearing Room (Room # 102B), Annex Building, 1 N.E. 6th Street, Coupeville, Washington. Richard M. Hannold, Chair, Jill Johnson, Member, and Helen Price Johnson, Member, were present. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC INPUT OR COMMENTS

[Documents on file with the Clerk of the Board]

There were no public comments offered.

APPROVAL OF PRELIMINARY AGENDA AS PUBLISHED

ACTION TAKEN:

By unanimous vote, the preliminary agenda was approved as published.

CONSENT AGENDA

[Documents on file with the Clerk of the Board]

Pre-audited bills:	\$ 1,395,935.37
Vouchers:	\$ 535,575.23
Electronic funds transfers:	\$ 573,137.59
Payroll:	\$ 630,322.65
Minutes:	Work Session 8/10/16

Emergency Management

Grant Agreement Amendment A with WA State Military Department to extend time to September 30, 2016. Grant Agreement No. Grant E16-121; Amount: No Change (RM-PW-2016-302) (PW-1620-143)

Human Services

Contract with the Arc of Washington State for a Parent-to-Parent Coordinator. Contract No. P2P-DDA; Contract period: 7/1/16 - 6/30/17; Amount: \$1,840 (RM-HS-2016-283)

Public Works - County Roads

- Schedule Public Hearing: Ordinance C-92-16 (R-42-16) Regulating Speed Limit on County Roads Amending Island County Code Title X, Chapter 10.01. Date and time: October 4, 2016 at 10:15
- Interlocal Agreement – Formation of Island Regional Transportation Planning Organization (IRTPO) (RM-PW-2016-289) (PW-1620-133)

Public Works - Drainage

Resolution C-93-16 (R-43-16) Initiating a County Drainage Project designated as CDP 16-07/JL 00967-0001 known as Pine Street Outfall

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Public Works Division

Bid Recommendation – Freeland Trail – Reject all Bids; Freeland Trail – Segment 1; PWP 11-01/JL 00968-0001

Public Works - Solid Waste

Resolution C-94-16 (R-44-16) Approving Plans and Specifications and Authorizing Call for Bids for Island County Septage Treatment Facility Upgrade; PWP 15-02/JL 101063-0101

ACTION TAKEN:

By unanimous vote, the Consent Agenda was approved as presented.

REGULAR AGENDA

[Documents on file with the Clerk of the Board]

Commissioners

Resolution C-95-16 Proclaiming September 16, 2016 National POW/MIA Recognition Day

ACTION TAKEN:

By unanimous vote, Resolution C-95-16 Proclaiming September 16, 2016 National Recognition Day was adopted.

GSA

Rural County Economic Development Sales Tax Awards for 2016:

- Port District of South Whidbey Island to support economic development for South Whidbey utilizing the Island County Fairgrounds. Amount: \$100,000
- Freeland Water and Sewer District: Freeland Sewer Project for construction of sewer infrastructure. Amount: \$2,700,000
- City of Oak Harbor: Oak Harbor Clean Water Facility Project to replace two aging wastewater treatment plants with a membrane bioreactor treatment plant. Amount: \$1,000,000
- Port District of Coupeville: Coupeville Wharf Building Fire Suppression Components Replacement Project. Amount: \$25,000

GSA Director Elaine Marlow presented the award recommendations and limitations for funding of the Rural Economic Development Sales Tax Awards for 2016.

ACTION TAKEN:

By unanimous vote, the Rural County Economic Development Sales Tax Awards for 2016 were approved as recommended.

- ***Port District of South Whidbey Island - \$100,000***
- ***Freeland Water and Sewer District - \$2,700,000***
- ***City of Oak Harbor - \$1,000,000***
- ***Port District of Coupeville - \$25,000***

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GSA Risk Management

Settlement Agreement and Release of Claims to discharge all claims, without any admission of liability or fault by Island County, arising from the Ledgewood Landslide

Ms. Marlow provided a synopsis of the history that led to the settlement agreement and release of claims. She clarified that this is not an admission of liability on the part of Island County. Rather, it is a compromise to avoid costly and lengthy litigation. All parties to the agreement acknowledged that the hillside which Driftwood Way traverses consists of unstable slide materials and that the County does not make any warranties that future slides will not occur.

ACTION TAKEN:

By unanimous vote, the Settlement Agreement and Release of Claims to discharge all claims, without any admission of liability or fault by Island County, arising from the Ledgewood Landslide, was approved.

Human Resources

Resolution C-96-16 2017 Medical Plans and Rates for Non-Represented Employees

Melanie Bacon, Human Resources Director, presented the 2017 Medical Plans and Rates for Non-Represented Employees. Following discussion the Board agreed, in an effort to keep the practice as consistent as possible with the upcoming change, that Exhibit A and Appendix A reflect that the County will frontload the HSAs in January rather than split the amount and deposit in January and July 2017. To receive the lowest possible insurance rates going forward, employees are encouraged to complete the health risk assessments following the biometric clinics.

ACTION TAKEN:

By unanimous vote, Resolution C-96-16 2017 Medical Plans and Rates for Non-Represented Employees as amended, was adopted.

EXHIBIT A – ITEM 2 AND APPENDIX A REVISIONS

The County provided HSAs will be provided as a lump sum into employee accounts in January 2017.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

[Documents on file with the Clerk of the Board]

There were no public hearings scheduled

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Commissioners provided their respective comments and announcements.

At 10:30 a.m. Commissioner Hannold adjourned Regular Session until 1:30 p.m. for Budget Workshops.

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At 1:30 p.m. the Chair reconvened the adjourned meeting to begin Budget Workshops with County Elected Officials and Appointed Department Heads. Workshops were held with and program reports provided by Keith Higman, Public Health Director; Hiller West, Planning Director, and Bill Oakes, Public Works Director.

Following Budget Workshops Commissioner Hannold adjourned Regular Session until Thursday, September 15 at 9:30 a.m. for continued Budget Workshops.

REGULAR SESSION RECONVENED – SEPTEMBER 15, 2016 – BUDGET WORKSHOPS

At 9:30 a.m. the September 13 adjourned meeting was reconvened for continued Budget Workshops. Elected Officials providing their respective program reports were Ross Petersen Chief Deputy Clerk; Robert Bishop, Coroner; and Mary Engle, Assessor.

At 10:34 a.m. the meeting adjourned until 2:00 p.m. for continued Budget Workshops.

At 2:00 p.m. Commissioner Hannold reconvened Regular Session to continue with Budget Workshops. Mark Brown, Rick Felici, and Jose Briones with the Island County Sheriff's Office provided their program report.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting adjourned at 3:07 p.m. following Budget Workshops. The Board will meet next in a Special Session Budget Workshop on September 19, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. and in Regular Session on September 20, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

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ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Richard M. Hannold, Chair

Jill Johnson, Member

Helen Price Johnson, Member

ATTEST:

Debbie Thompson
Clerk of the Board